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As a consequence of the undersigned's briefing of the IAC on
9 August 1951, Mr. Carlos B. DeLoach and Mr. Daniel X. Callahan,

FBI Hungarian Desk, visited the undersigned for a half-hour talk on Hungarian
matters of mutual interest.

Most of the discussion consisted of a rehash of the true assets
of ZAKO's organization in Austria for Mr. Callahan's benefit. Callahan
was concerned over the status of Tiber ECKHARDT, an FBI source in
this country who on occasion produces information from Hungary. I
pointed out that, in view of the political tie-up between ECKHARDT and
ZAKO, there was on the face of it little doubt that he had access to some
information and probably distributed it. However, since the FBI do not
indicate on their disseminations to us where they get their material,
there is no way for us to make any definite statements on this subject.

It was decided that the FBI would make an attempt to determine
from Mr. ECKHARDT where he obtains his material whenever he produces
information from abroad. Mr. Callahan felt that this was not likely to
be very successful because ECKHARDT was primarily a reporter on
domestic affairs and if he were pressed too hard for information concerning
sources overseas, they might lose his confidence. We had ~~several~~ ^{several} polite go-arounds
on this pattern of intelligence officer - agent relationships.

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~~Re Zoltan PATAKI~~: I repeated what I had said before the IAC, that he is furnishing Hungarian material of ZAKO origin to OO.

~~Re PATAKI~~: I gave them the story of PATAKI's trip to Europe this spring and his misrepresentations concerning his various sponsors.

RTE, A-2, and NMIC.

DeLoach gave me his phone number for direct liaison in case any Hungarian matters of interest come up to require discussion.

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